

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being filed via EFS-Web with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 16, 2009.

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP

By: /Kay Barclay/  
Kay Barclay

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE –  
EXAMINING GROUP 3622**

**PATENT**

Attorney Docket No.: 020375-033110US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Christopher R. McGee et al.

Application No.: 10/688,065

Filed: October 16, 2003

For: DISCOUNT-INSTRUMENT  
METHODS AND SYSTEMS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 8138

Examiner: CARLSON, JEFFREY D.

Technology Center/Art Unit: 3622

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING  
GROUP 3622**

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 22, 2009 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.